

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:42
ANSWERED ON:18.02.2003
FLIGHT PERMISSION
C. SREENVAASAN;PUTTASWAMY GOWDA

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the news item under the Caption `Minister Mahajan flew in ban`s face-MHA allowed flight despite security quarantine.` Appearing in the Hindustan Times dated January 29,2003;
- (b) if so, the facts of the matter reported therein;
- (c) the circumstances warranting permission despite security quarantine imposed by the Union Government themselves; and
- (d) the action taken against the guilty officials for permitting this unscheduled flight?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d): The flight from Delhi to Hyderabad carrying the then Union Minister of Information Technology & Communications was cleared as per rules and there was no irregularity in permitting such a flight.